

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appln. No: 10/626,271  
Applicants: Takao Yamaguchi, et al.  
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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A DATA  
SERIES INCLUDING PROCESSING PRIORITY DATA  
TC/A.U.: 2622  
Examiner: Victor R. Kostak  
Confirmation No.: 9568  
Docket No.: MDA-2880US1

**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181**

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This Petition is being filed in response to the Notice of Allowance dated December 15, 2008.

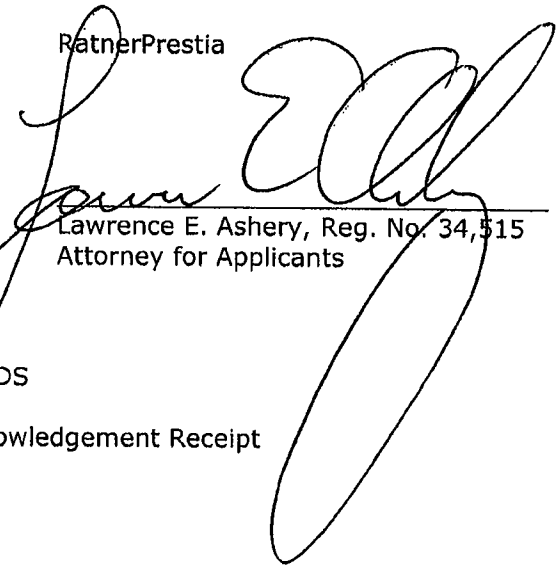
Applicants request that the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application consider and make of record the references listed on the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08a, filed on November 2, 2007. Enclosed is a copy of the documents filed and the USPTO Electronic Acknowledgement Receipt, dated November 2, 2007.

The issue fee was paid on **January 26, 2009**.

It is respectfully requested that issuance of a Patent for the above-identified application be suspended until a Supplemental Notice of Allowance has been entered.

Respectfully submitted,

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the references listed on the PTO/SB/08a and PTO/SB/08b submitted herewith. A copy of each reference listed on the PTO/SB/08a and PTO/SB/08b, other than U.S. patents, is enclosed.

Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

The following Japanese references are not in the English language:

- 1) 04-003684
- 2) 08-149420

References 1) and 2) are not in the English language but an English abstract thereof is attached to the copy of the references submitted herewith.

References 1) and 2) were cited by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. MPEP Section 609(a)iii, second paragraph.

More than three months have elapsed since the filing of the above-referenced application and/or a first (non-Final) Official Action has been received. No Final Action or Notice of Allowance has yet been received and it is presumed that none has yet been mailed. Accordingly, as more specifically indicated below, a statement as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) is provided herewith.

STATEMENT

The undersigned hereby states that each item of information disclosed in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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